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AIR AND RADIATION

The Honorable Orrin G. Hatch  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Hatch:

Thank you for your letter of May 1, 2017, to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regarding the concerns of county commissioners of Box Elder County, Utah, regarding attainment planning for the Salt Lake City, Utah, nonattainment area.

It is our understanding that the State of Utah is working with all counties in the nonattainment area to meet the 2006 24-hour Fine Particulate Matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). As part of the attainment planning process, the State of Utah will evaluate the sources in the entire nonattainment area to see if the area can make reductions in emissions. This is an on-going process and we will continue to work with Utah to help the area develop and meet its planning objectives to attain the PM<sub>2.5</sub> NAAQS.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have further questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Matthew Davis in the EPA's Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations at [davis.matthew@epa.gov](mailto:davis.matthew@epa.gov) or at (202) 564-1267.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Sarah Dunham", is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Sarah Dunham  
Acting Assistant Administrator